RIVER PRO 2





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Empowering people by harnessing
Citizen Science to address climate
challenges and revitalise the
Simeto River ecosystem in Sicily





Summary

River PRO2 is a Citizen Science initiative aimed at strengthening river governance in eastern Sicily's Simeto River basin. Building on the success of the initial River PRO project, it integrates scientific data with local knowledge to address critical issues such as drought, climate change, and the ecological impacts of hydroelectric infrastructure. The project engages local citizens, farmers, schools, and activists in data collection and analysis, fostering a shared, transparent understanding of water flow, biodiversity, and sediment dynamics.

Through collaborative efforts with stakeholders—ranging from regional institutions to energy companies—River PRO2 seeks to rebalance water governance priorities, moving from economic dominance toward ecological sustainability. The initiative also aims to make essential environmental data openly accessible, empowering the community to advocate for long-term policy reforms.

By promoting inclusive participation and evidence-based dialogue, River PRO2 lays the groundwork for enduring, equitable, and ecologically responsible water management systems.

